

REMARKS

In contrast to the Examiner's statements in the pending Office Action (mailed October 22, 2003), the previous Response was filed on July 10, 2003, and introduced new Claims 18-35. Accordingly, Claims 18-35 are pending prior to the entry of this Amendment. New Claims 36-37 are added by this amendment and find support throughout the specification, in particular at pages 45 – 47 and Figure 1.

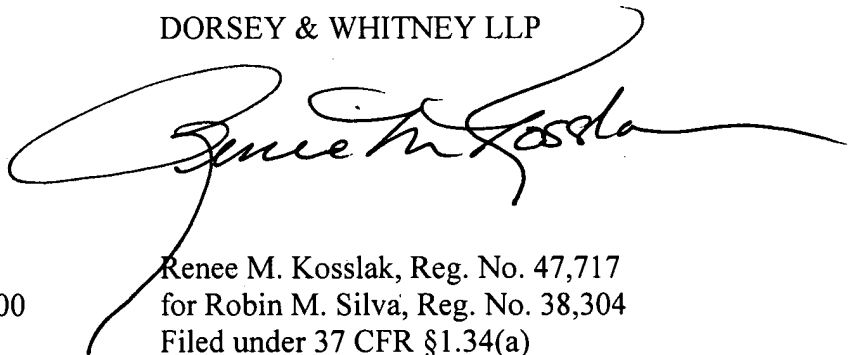
In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect Group I, Claims 18, and 20-27, drawn to a substrate, classified in class 435, subclass 287.2. In addition, Applicants elect species (1), where said ETM is a transition metal complex, for prosecution on the merits. However, Applicants reserve the right to pursue species (2) in this application if any of generic claims 18, 20-23, 25 and 27 are found patentable. This election is made without traverse.

Claims 19 and 28-35 have been canceled as drawn to a non-elected invention.

Inventorship is not effected by cancellation of the non-elected claims.

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